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One of the Oldest Universities in Europe

In 1290 the University is founded in Lisbon by royal decree of King Dinis. Until the end of the 13th century it is part of a small group of 15 operating universities in Europe. After a period of alternation between the cities of Lisbon and Coimbra, the definite transference occurs in 1537, by order of King John III and with the strong influence of the Santa Cruz Monastery.

The Only University in Portugal Until 1911

The University of Coimbra was, for several centuries, the only university within the cultural and scientific area of Portuguese influence, with exception to the period between 1559 and 1759, a time during which it coexisted with the University of Évora. Its impact was universal, particularly during a period in which both Portugal and Spain were structuring their empires at a world scale with the expansion and sea discoveries.

The Creation of the University First Pole as a consequence of Urban Expansion

The university reformation developed by King John III and the consequent and definite transference to Coimbra promoted the development of an educational pole able to host the significant flux of students and to promote the continuous award of academic diplomas. Sofia Street was the urban representative of the time, a new paradigm and a modern European model. It was planned to be a structuring axis of urban development and growth in the limit of the city and with a specific program – the university.

A Model For New Types of Architecture

Through a college network constructed since the 16th century, the University of Coimbra staged several architectural experiences that resulted in new type models at an aesthetical, artistic and programmatic way. Of these are good examples the cloister of Graça College and Jesus College.
THE UNIVERSITY THAT OCCUPIES A ROYAL PALACE

The oldest nucleus of the University of Coimbra is located in the set of the Schools Court-yard and it essentially corresponds to the ancient royal address of the country, the former Royal Palace of Coimbra. Its continuous use, for five centuries prior to the settlement of the University, with a continuous consolidation and constructive evolution, make of it a singular and absolutely outstanding building in the European context of university architecture.

THE EXCEPTIONALITY OF THE BAROQUE LIBRARY

Created as a study library and reserved to the university community, this is one of the most beautiful libraries in the world. The shape and ornamental richness, the valuable bibliographic estate of more than 53 thousand books from the 16th to the 18th century, still available for consultation, all contribute for the exquisiteness of the place.

EXAMPLE OF UNIVERSITY REFORMATIONS IN THE IDEOLOGICAL, PEDAGOGICAL AND MATERIAL FIELDS

During its history of more than seven hundred years, the University of Coimbra survived several reformations that corresponded to different domains of knowledge and education, and that are materially registered in its buildings: the Baroque reformation of King John III, the Pombaline reformation, the action promoted during the Second Republic to the democratization of education and consequent infrastructure expansion.

THE UNIVERSITY WITH ANCIENT ACADEMIC TRADITIONS

From the most institutionalized academic culture (Honoris Cause doctorates, the Official Opening of the School year, etc.) to the most spontaneous, such as the Latada parade.

THE UNIVERSITY OF CULTURAL AND SCIENTIFIC DISSEMINATION THROUGH PRESS

The University of Coimbra takes, in Portugal, a fundamental role in the field of scientific research. The known origins of the operation of the first academic press, the University Royal Workshop, date back to the 16th century. Later, other would be founded in the academic context such as the Royal College of Arts, the Jesus Company and the Santa Cruz Monastery of Coimbra.
Criada em 1911, a Biblioteca da Faculdade de Direito da Universidade de Coimbra foi já considerada a quinta melhor biblioteca jurídica do mundo, atendendo ao seu fundo multilingue em diversas áreas, incluindo monografias e revistas que abrangem desde temas tradicionais a novos domínios jurídicos.
Para além dos seus fundos bibliográficos gerais, nela pode encontrar também os fundos especiais constituídos por bibliotecas que foram pertença de alguns dos mais notáveis professores e juristas da Faculdade de Direito: Alberto dos Reis, Beleza dos Santos, Paulo Merêa, Eduardo Correia, Ferrer Correia, Orlando de Carvalho.
Um novo edifício, da concepção do arquitecto Siza Vieira, irá servir de guarda, conservação e divulgação do seu riquíssimo espólio bibliográfico, que ocupa, neste momento, mais de 7000 metros de prateleiras.

**BASES DE DADOS, REVISTAS E ENCICLOPÉDIAS ON-LINE**

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INSTITUTO JURÍDICO
O Instituto Jurídico da Faculdade de Direito da Universidade de Coimbra reconstituiu-se em Janeiro de 2013 como unidade de investigação e desenvolvimento, ao abrigo dos novos Estatutos da Faculdade. Devolveu-se assim realidade institucional a uma tradição com mais de um século, e nunca verdadeiramente interrompida, de ligação do ensino à investigação. Sintonizado com as preocupações dos nossos dias, o Instituto propõe-se agora, mais especificamente, organizar a investigação na Faculdade em linhas e grupos temáticos, fomentando a interdisciplinaridade e a transdisciplinaridade, promovendo o investimento em pesquisa aplicada e desenvolvendo a colaboração com centros estrangeiros de referência.
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SPES
Socialidade, Pobreza(s) e Exclusão Social

www.spes.fd.uc.pt
No momento em que a economia social é apontada pela ONU como um dos “Objectivos para o Milénio”, em que a União Europeia apresenta estratégias para o crescimento e a superação da crise baseadas no empreendedorismo social e em que Portugal aprova uma lei da economia social, afigura-se-nos urgente aprofundar este tema de enorme relevo social, que não tem merecido muita atenção por parte das Faculdades de Direito. É neste contexto que surge o Projecto de Ensino, Investigação e Desenvolvimento SPES – Sociedade, Pobreza(s) e Exclusão Social, integrado nas actividades do Instituto Jurídico da Faculdade de Direito da Universidade de Coimbra.

No âmbito da estratégica delineada pelo Grupo de Investigação Crise, Sustentabilidade e Cidadanias, foi decidido promover um projecto de trabalho sobre este tema, baseado em duas dinâmicas complementares: (i) uma, interna, destinada a aprofundar o trabalho em grupo entre os investigadores, e que passa pela coordenação dos programas de algumas UC do mestrado científico em Direito e pela especial ligação a um programa de doutoramento em Direito Público de cariz mais especializado (ii) outra, externa, orientada para a disseminação e para o intercâmbio com a Sociedade, através de diversas iniciativas em que se procura juntar os investigadores, os mestrandos e os doutorandos ligados a este projecto com investigadores de outras Faculdades, bem como com os representantes das instituições que integram este sector económico.
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ABOUT the PROGRAMME

The PhD programme falls under the rubric of studies without course. Even though no course will be held, the programme has more to it than a dissertation and its public discussion. Students will be required to obtain ECTS from selected activities to be carried out mainly in the first years and that are especially aimed at scientific reflection, disclosure of preliminary results, evaluation and selection of the candidates.

Building upon an academic programme that takes seriously the flexibility required by today’s students, as a means of conciliating their professional work with continuation of advanced studies, and on the other hand the necessary link of those programmes to organized research, our programme purports to provide an answer to new challenges relating to advanced learning.

The methodology seeks to integrate various ways of research mentoring. Hence the option for a hybrid, b-learning-like system, one that blends attendance of lectures or seminars with distance learning but using also digital platforms for output dissemination, discussion forums and collaborative activities (e.g. Wikis) all of which allow for collective development processes especially designed for advanced learning and for live broadcasting of seminar-like activities (online or streaming). A more effective supervision will take place through a blend of individual mentoring and public discussion of research work underway.
OBJECTIVES

• complement UCFL advanced learning core programme with a more specific one in the Public Law field, aiming at nonresident Coimbra students unable to attend a doctoral programme with course. Through this new option, doctoral candidates will have the chance of a scientific and methodological supervision as yet not provided for at the level of doctoral programmes without course;

• provide doctoral candidates enrolled in a PhD programme without course with a kind of supervision that does include team work-oriented tools little used in PhD Law Programmes, but which will allow them nonetheless to participate in group discussions and scientific activities especially designed for students seeking a doctoral degree.

PEOPLE TARGETED

The programme is especially designed for Portuguese, Brazilian and Angolan legal practitioners in charge of implementing social policies and enforcement of statutory law in social-legal areas (health, social security, welfare, poverty, education). It is also designed for European legal practitioners who plan to work in, or learn about, this legal area.
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|        | dissertation defense      |
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• João José Nogueira de Almeida
• João Carlos Simões dos Reis
• Fernando Licínio Lopes Martins
• Ana Margarida Simões Gaudêncio

EVALUATION

During the first year PhD candidates are evaluated on the basis of working papers and the dissertation project. Admission to the dissertation phase is granted after the candidate successfully completes those assignments.

Evaluation of the candidate’s dissertation is conducted in a final public oral examination by a body of five (minimum) or seven (maximum) examiners, two of them necessarily from two different universities.
## THE ACADEMIC PROGRAMME

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First year students are expected to attend the January cycle of lectures (from 13.01.2015 to 8.02.2015). This is a weekly cycle of talks on the following items:

- Constitution, Politics and Scarcity;
- Trans-statehood and Sustainability;
- Fundamental Rights and Welfare State;
- Constitution, Politics and Crisis.

During the February-July period, as the candidates prepare two working papers due until July 15th (qualitative evaluation), they will be provided with mentoring in a e-learning basis.

Candidates are expected to stay in Coimbra in January of the next calendar year (2016) for the purpose of defending the dissertation project, which will be evaluated on an approved/conditionally approved / fail grade basis.

For two weeks in January of the next calendar year (2017), the 2nd year Seminar requires the candidate to attend the international Seminar, open to the public. On the same occasion they are expected to lecture on a subject that shall reflect the progress of the research project.
ADVANTAGES OF THE DOCTORAL PROGRAMME?

• Bring together under a single PhD programme all the advantages of UCFL excellent graduate training as reflected in the research projects under way at our Institute for Legal Research (UCILeR)

• Take advantage of synergies created by research networks - and others working in connection with entities engaged in the subject areas - which UCILeR members and researchers are dealing with.

• Pursue a PhD programme that will be implemented by means of blend learning, but which nonetheless will fit the needs of legal practitioners.

• Join a working group which discusses models for sustainable policies and policies for combating poverty and social exclusion in different cultural, social and economical environments.
APPLICATION PHASES

- 1st phase: from June 1 to July 15, 2014
- 2nd phase: from August 15 to September 5, 2014

Submission of applications at http://www.uc.pt/candidatos/online

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

One may apply for the programme by submitting the following information:

- Copy of the Identity card, Citizen Card or Passport
- Curriculum vitae (europass format)
- Certification of university level degree with final grade (not requested from UC alumni or UC ex-alumni)
- Certification of courses successfully completed / academic record displaying numerical grading (not requested from UC alumni or UC ex-alumni)
- Certification of numerical correspondence, in case of a letter- or qualitative-grading scale (not requested from UC alumni or UC ex-alumni)
- Certification of the minute attesting the defense of master’s thesis and grade obtained (not requested from UC alumni or UC ex-alumni)
- Digital copies of scholarly legal publications (monographies or articles)
ADMISSION CONDITIONS AND VACANCIES

a) Master’s Degree in Law or legal equivalent, with a 14 grade (minimum) or equivalent;

b) School, scientific or professional experience that shows competence to complete this cycle of studies within the scheduled deadline

A maximum of 10 candidates every year are admitted into the programme

SELECTION CRITERIA

1st GROUP – applications under a)

- Master’s degree in Law with a minimum grade of 14 – 80%
- Scholarly work (e.g. publications), preferentially in the programme area – 20 %

2nd GROUP – applications under b)

- School curriculum – 30%
- Scholarly curriculum (e.g. publications) – 40 %
- Professional curriculum – 30 %

The selection of candidates to the PhD programme is carried out by a Committee of three faculty members.
A Faculdade de Direito da Universidade de Coimbra foi considerada a melhor instituição de ensino portuguesa na área do Direito, de acordo com o QS World University Rankings by Subject.